What The AFRO Stands For

Equal justice, not only in theory, but in fact before courts of the city.

Adequate black representation on all public boards and commissions of Maryland cities, counties and the state itself, including colleges and universities.

Extensive and untrammeled black political power.

Equal job opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Equal housing opportunities in fact as well as theory.

Black judges on all benches of the city, county and state court systems, except those constitutionally authorized.

A black owned and operated taxicab company.

A black owned and operated bank.

A black majority on Baltimore City Board of School Commissioners.

15 Years Old

At the time of the opening of the center, James Rouse, Mondawmin developer, answered concerns of black citizens in an AFRO interview dated September 1, 1956.

He said in part, "we believe the Mondawmin Shopping Center will mark a step forward for colored families in their marketing."

He foresaw an open door policy but said that many merchants were pessimistic that because of the racial locale the center would prove a failure.

This week, Mondawmin Shopping Center marks its 15th birthday. It is interesting to note it has become a real part of the predominantly black community in which it is located.

In a special supplement published in our Tuesday edition, Mondawmin Corp. spokesmen told of successful community involvement which has helped make Mondawmin profitable for owners and the community.

Developer Rouse's statement that Mondawmin would be a center "for the people, not white people or colored people, but people" has proved to be true.

A majority of the customers who shop at Mondawmin are black and a substantial number of the merchants have made job opportunities available to those who patronize.

On this 15th anniversary, we join Mondawmin Corp., in saying "Happy Birthday" and hope the mall will continue to grow and prosper in the years to come.

In the fall of 1956, AFRO stories noted that the Birmingham bus boycott had come to a joyful ending. The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. visited Washington and was embraced by the city for his successful leadership of the boycott and Mrs. Rosa Parks, the lady who initiated the boycott met in Baltimore with NAACP president, Dr. Lillie M. Jackson.

It was at this same time that Fisk University lost one of its famous sons. Dr. Charles Johnson; the Thurgood Marshalls had a baby son; Adlai Stevenson and Eisenhower were campaigning; Gloria Lockerman was a spelling champ and Buddy Young retired from the Colts to move into a manager's job.

It was in this same period that northwest Baltimore saw the opening of a new shopping center in the area bounded by Gwynns Falls Parkway, Liberty Heights Avenue, Reisterstown Road and Tioga Parkway.

Advertisements appealed to residents all over the city telling them how near it was to Roland Park, Mount Washington, Homeland, Woodlawn, Northwood, etc.

At the opening festivities in October, 1956, the program participants were predominantly white and many black citizens had no idea where Mondawmin was.

What they did know was that housed in the new shopping complex was a restaurant which caused regular picketing by an interracial group called The United Citizens for Better Human Relations because it refused to welcome black customers; and that most places hired white persons only.

FIFTY YEARS AGO — "The interests of the AFRO-AMERICAN population of Baltimore are identical and any faction of the race which fosters strife to gratify its own selfish ambition should be classed with the enemy." — The AFRO-AMERICAN, April, 1893.

Baltimore Afro-American

May we let our light so shine that it will illuminate that which is good and beautiful, and magnify our Father which is in heaven. May we stand strong and firm against despair, falsehood, rudeness, hatred, pessimism and prejudice. — Carl Murphy, Editor-Publisher — 1889-1967

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Happy Birthday

Time To Sue U. of Md.

Thirty-six years ago, the University of Maryland Law School argued colored people could not meet their standards and refused us admission.

Baltimore-born Donald G. Murray took the University to court under the sponsorship of the National Association For the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

He was graduated in June, 1938, standing 12th in the class of 37.

Today, well-known judges like John Hargrove, Harry Cole, Robert Watts, Solomon Baylor and William H. Murphy Sr., hold U. of Md. sheepskins as do State's Attorney Milton Allen and Circuit Court Master W. Emerson Brown, among others.

But, it appears the university is a slow learner. This 36-year-old lesson has been lost on them.

Proof can be seen in the current attempts by the Regents to limit enrollment at the College Park and Baltimore County campuses, all under the guise of projected overcrowding.

The Black Coalition contends the U. of Md. is actually trying to maintain a dual setup.

Of 35,000 students at College Park only 1,600 are black. Just 250 of the 4,000 at UMBC are black. The Eastern Shore campus (formerly Md. State) has 600 black out of 700.

What Mr. Murray said in his court petition in 1935 might well be modified and said in a court petition again today.

Said Murray:

"He denies that it is now, or ever has been, the policy of the State of Maryland to provide educational facilities for Negroes in proportion to their true needs and denies that the educational facilities furnished or maintained by the State for Negroes are adequate, or equal, or elaborate, or cares for substantially all the educational requirements of its Negro citizens. . . ."

In September, 1935, H. L. Mencken wrote of the Murray case, "What the regents really fear is that if the courts order Mr. Murray admitted to the Law School, other Negroes will apply for admission to the so-called College of Arts, a fifth rate pedagogical dump patronized largely by the children of Washingtonians, and it would be easier to bring the Princess Anne Academy (Now University of Maryland Eastern Shore and old Maryland State) up to equality with it."

In 1971, the fears the Regents had have become a reality and it appears they are again at work in an attempt to make this tax-supported institution for whites only.

The sad fact about this whole story is that the State Legislature has seen fit to pour most of the tax money into the University and little into such developing institutions as the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

The Black Coalition, which is leading the fight to rectify the situation, charges the U. of Md.'s tests for admission are culturally biased and weighted in favor of white, middle-class students.

Black citizens should put the State of Maryland and the University Regents on notice that if our black students can't get into the University of Maryland for which they pay tax money they will resort to the courts again.

Maybe this time, however, instead of just suing the state, our citizens might also include the city and counties.

For if the U. of Md. insists on saying we aren't good enough, then the courts should make the city schools improve their public education system.

One way or the other, the courts should be forced to decide again.

Orlinsky et al

For the time being there may be no reason to become excited over the prospects of a clash between two Second District clubs that have worked together successfully to elect a number of black and white candidates to city and state offices.

There have been reports that the predominantly white New Democratic Club and the mostly black Eastside Democratic Organization are at odds over the naming of a successor to Del. Walter Orlinsky, who moves up to president of the City Council in November.

Orlinsky appears to have jumped the gun by asserting that his successor would be a close friend, Joseph Clarke, and by apparently attempting to put on some pressure to bring this about.

The Second District's State Central Committee, which will name the new House of Delegates member, is made up of four members from NDC and four from EDO.

It is obvious that there has to be some agreement reached. It also should be obvious that for the welfare of the district and the two organizations, this has to be worked out on a basis of mutual interest and respect for each club's input and potential.

Between the two clubs they now hold six of the district's eight House of Delegates members. Four of the six are from NDC, two from EDO.

Do the clubs now attempt to keep the status quo in the House? Do they agree that Del. Orlinsky is moving up to greener pastures on the support of both organizations and as a member of NDC should agree to being replaced by a member from EDO?

Politics in the Second District could be critically affected by the way leaders of NDC and EDO work out this question of a successor to Orlinsky.

Orlinsky wants Clarke. EDO probably will want Turk Scott or Mrs. Lucille Gorham.

The ramifications of what is at stake are so immense that it is hard to believe that the leaders of these Democratic factions will not be guided by fairness and the political facts of the district in reaching a mutually satisfactory decision.

It is for that reason that the AFRO at this point has not become overly excited about the prospects of a clash.

POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

Vote Up Or Shut Up

MR. JOHNSON

In what otherwise looms as a perfunctory matter of voting Democratic candidates in office — Baltimore's Nov. 2 municipal general election does carry two categories of more than passing interest.

They are the Johnny-come-lately Republican candidacy of Mrs. Margaret L. Dyer for comptroller — and the GOP candidacies of Carl M. Adair and Thomas B. Mickle for City Council in the 5th District.

Both situations quite conceivably could pose a vote-up or shut-up stage with groups of the more vocal activists.

But — more about this in a moment.

First, other than candidates for mayor, president of the City Council, comptroller and for three Council seats in each of the city's six districts — ballots will carry eight questions for voters to approve or disapprove.

They are $33 million in proposed loans for city capital improvements — all authorized as required by law at the past session of the state's General Assembly in Annapolis.

These loans include:

1. Metered water — $7.8 million; 2. incinerator plant — $6 million; 3. off-street parking for Hospital Loan—$8 million; 4. sewer and drainage — $4.5 million;

5. Fire Department — $1 million; 6. Economic Development — 3 million; 7. Central District Police — $4.5; 8. Parks and Recreation — $1.2 million.

So little controversy surrounds all at the moment that the General Election stands as an even more lackidaisical matter to fulfill lawful requirements.

In this instance it is for balloting reaction to the questions, and to officially vote Democratic candidates in office.

It has been just that type of campaign — and still is, for that matter.

Brass leadership among the Republicans, what little there is of it, hasn't been able to get together — though the party is outnumbered nearly six to one by Democrats.

But — back if you will to the candidacies of Mrs. Dyer and Messrs. Adair and Mickle. Mr. Mickle is not campaigning for himself, but for Mr. Adair.

Mrs. Dyer, who said she entered the campaign at request of Dr. Ross Pierpont, GOP mayoral candidate, has also labeled herself as a standard bearer for women and black people.

In an otherwise all-male city-wide ticket devoid of other women candidates — it would appear that she has something going for her.

She is articulate, knowledgeable and has a proven interest in city government.

However — neither the black community nor women in general have rallied to her bandwagon so far.

Maybe they can't see her for looking at her running mate, the ultra conservative Dr. Perpont.

Maybe it's something else.

At any rate — the growing group of ladies who have been, and still are, shouting women's liberation, and those highly vocal activists who yell about black representation in public offices remain now somewhat silenced.

It will be interesting to note in the General Election returns what ratio of vote Mrs. Dyer polls — and to what extent women and black citizens campaign for her in these closing days.

Up in the 5th District — the candidacy of Mr. Adair, with Mr. Mickle backing him, poses something of a different situation.

This is the district where black Democratic candidates flooded the Primary hoping to win direct representation for the area's black citizens.

They wanted, too, to knock off Reuben Caplan a white incumbent City Council candidate whom they feel is too conservative and unfriendly for their best interests.

Instead, the black liberal candidates knocked each other off.

The outcome was foreseeable to almost everybody but the candidates, themselves.

The district's Democratic Council candidates are all white — one a proven liberal, another a moderate and the third the conservative a lot of people aimed at and missed.

Mr. Adair is a professor at Coppin State College and is indisputably qualified.

He is waging a low-key campaign at the moment — the way of which isn't known here.

The 5th District is a notable homepoint for groups of the more vocal black activists.

It will be interesting to watch and see what they will do in the interest of trying to win a Council seat for Mr. Adair for black Council representation, despite party.

I have a rather fair idea of just how much they're going to do — but let's wait and see.

It's again that time:

Vote-up, or shut-up on Nov. 2.

And it's as simple as that.

OUR READERS SAY

Readers are invited to submit letters for publication. All letters must be signed, but signature will be omitted if requested. Letters should be no more than 300 words in length. Address them to "Our Readers Say," Baltimore AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Maryland 21203.

Fireman's Bush

Dear AFRO:

In reference to the recent article you published concerning the black firefighter, Guy Brooks, being suspended for not getting a haircut, I think it is high time the black community, especially some of the black organizations and also the AFRO itself should come to the support of this one black individual.

Inmates Care

Dear AFRO:

The A.F.I.R.E. Organization, Association For Inmates Relation and Employment is an inmate organization here within the confines of the Maryland House Of Correction. The members of this organization have started an S. and H Green Stamp Drive to purchase toys for the needy children in the Baltimore and Washington area at Christmas time.

It would be appreciated by us if you would print this article in your paper to inform the public of this endeavour. And also that we need stamp donations from the community. These stamps can be mailed to: The A.F.I.R.E. ORGANIZATION, c-o Mrs. Betty Murry, Community Coordinator, Box 334, Jessup, Md. 20794.

Thank You.

MICHEAL T. BOSTON,
A.F.I.R.E.

AFRO In Barbados

Dear AFRO:

Greetings from Barbados. Because of a delay in my address, I just got a stack of AFROs from mid-June to August 7. I took a complete day off from my missionary duties to read each carefully.

I handed them over to my youth group. They are reading them and exchanging them as one would read books.

I was shocked at the death of Walter Carter, my friend, Dr. John T. Williams, my college president; the Rev. W. Tycer Nelson, my philosophy professor, and the Rev. Thomas Fraser, a co-worker at C.A.A. My God, I hope I never receive that much news in one day again!

I was not surprised that we don't have a black mayor or a black representative from the 5th District. The voters are not that ready yet.

Robert Marshall's loss was a surprise. After living here in Barbados, where we have had about four murders in the past year among 250,000 black people, it was quite an experience to read of snipers, sweethearts killing each other, husbands shooting wives, holdups, armed robbers.

Believe it or not, there has never been a holdup, armed robbery or bank robbery in over 400 years, here.

Maybe Barbados is a little like Paradise, but then Baltimore will always be Baltimore.

I would like to thank the 86 persons who voted for me in the 5th District, although I was not able to campaign. I will be home soon and back on the battlefield.

ST. GEORGE CROSSE

Rev. Gunther

Dear AFRO:

I was very surprised at the little sketch in Tuesday's AFRO, of Dr. George Gunther's death. He was one of our leading citizens and to those who knew him, this should have been front page news for he was a great man in his field.

FLEMING SAUNDERS

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See, "George Gunther, Brilliant Man," published in this issue.)

Oops. We're Sorry!

The AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers are on their way to being printed on a new offset press which means learning how to use all those many different computers . . . those that spell (and sometimes misspell) words.

Right now, we have in our plant a teacher from Digital Equipment Corp., (cost $1,500 a week), to hold classes for the men and women in our mechanical department who are learning to operate a brain called a PDP-8 and a Photon which helps put advertisements together. This is one of the first steps in the process.

Our dedicated AFRO employees have many hours of classwork ahead of them if they are going to be ready to print your AFRO on the new press.

We believe that they can handle these new duties and at the same time put out your AFRO twice in Baltimore, twice in Washington and once in Richmond, Newark, Philadelphia and the National which covers all points North and South.

Yes, we are going to make errors — we know one of our linotype machines went haywire this week and left out many of the a's and o's and it will be replaced. But bear with us.

This time next year, we hope we will have an additional $1 million in new machinery in-our plant to print your AFRO each and every week. Bear with us. Thanks.

The Problem With Parren J. Mitchell

Dear AFRO: I think the problem that most people have with Congressman Parren J. Mitchell is that he has followed through on the promises he made as a candidate for Congress and refused. . .as always, to play the "political game" of expediency.

To understand "P.J.", the Congressman, one must understand "P.J.," the candidate and "P.J.," the man, for there is no innate difference.

In reflecting on the 1970 campaign, one of the most frequent challenges heard from the Black and White communities was . . . "Parren Mitchell is too militant."

Often, in the white news media the challenge was stated in a more sophisticated, subtle manner; that is. . .his name would be preceded by the phrase "activist professor."

And, in further reflection of the 1970 campaign and my hopes for "P.J." as a Congressman, I often pondered the question as to what I wanted to result from his election to that august governmental body - the United States House of Representatives. Would his election to Congress, in itself, effect the desired reordering of national priorities?

Would his election to Congress, in itself, serve to focus attention on the plight of the poor and the Black people of this country?

Could Parren J. Mitchell, as a Member of Congress, cause the staid gentleman of that governmental organ to legislate effectively against the immoral practices of racism in this country? Of course, the answer to each of these questions is simply a NO!

And so, the question that naturally follows is - of what value will Parren J. Mitchell be as a Congressman?

The answer: from one of the highest elective offices in this country, Parren J. Mitchell can serve as a spokesman for those who need a voice in those hallowed halls of government; the 25 million youths of this country and the untold millions of poor people in this country.

P. J. being the man he is, has never evaded a challenge, at least not from 1950, when he fought for admittance to the University of Maryland, through today. . .this minute. . .this instant. In fact, his campaign platform was based on the answer to those challenges.

And Parren J. Mitchell has kept the promise he made as a candidate, to be a spokesman and an advocate for the people, and no one can deny this fact, regardless of the vindictive labels his opponents use, seeking to vilify him.

The only avenue of attack open to his opponents is to challenge his style or to allege hidden motives of an improprietous nature. Hence, when Parren Mitchell requests a meeting with the Governor to discuss vital issues of concern to the Black Community, i.e., the possible dismissal of the Police Commissioner; racism in the institutions of higher education in Maryland, et cetera, the Governor evades the issues by alluding to the fact of upcoming elections.

When Parren Mitchell spoke against the practice of "machine politicians" dictating to the black community who it's candidates for elective office will be, the fact of his manner of dress while appearing on television and his style of oratory were most frequently criticized.

And, what does all of this say of Parren J. Mitchell, the Congressman, the candidate and the man? It says that while those who oppose him may respect his intelligence and his chosen role, they do not like his role or the fact that he intelligently addresses himself to the issues that he raises.

It also serves to point out the one flaw or weakness of Parren J. Mitchell.

In fact, since his election to office, P.J. has not sought re-election as an end in itself, but has unerringly worked to fulfill his campaign promise of service to the people who elected him.

Are we, as a community, to allow ourselves the dubious luxury of not looking beyond the manner in which truth is spoken?

Is the manner of presentation to take precedence over the validity of the issue?

Can we afford to negate the advocacy role of Congressman Mitchell in return for political acceptance?

The tendency of the community to follow this pattern is probably the most distressing factor of my daily trials and tribulations.

Undoubtedly, the problem with Parren J. Mitchell is he is not a politician. I don't know how he is going to react to this, but it is irrelevant. . .because I, for one, did not work and vote for a politician, I worked and voted for an advocate! PAUL L. CHESTER

Afro Credo

I measure a newspaper not in buildings, equipment and employees — those are trimmings.

A newspaper succeeds because its management believes in itself, in God and in the present generation. It must always ask itself—

Whether it has kept faith with the common people;

Whether it has no other goal except to see that their liberties are preserved and their future assured;

Whether it is fighting to get rid of slums, to provide jobs for everybody;

Whether it stays out of politics except injustice, race prejudice and the cowardice of compromise.

JOHN H. MURPHY SR.

December 25, 1920

NOW and THEN

Ralph Bunche, No. 2 At UN, Sets Example

DR. FLEMING

By G. JAMES FLEMING

Ralph Johnson Bunche, deputy general secretary of the United Nations, who recently asked retirement because of illness, can be classified in many ways: As one who overcame the usual obstacles of being born black in the USA; as one who knew poverty; as one who overcame his handicaps.

He can also be described as a competent social scientist and social engineer, as an exemplar scholar and researcher, as a penetrating teacher, as truly a world citizen, and as a fine human being, in the best sense of the term.

Thousands of students and teachers at Howard University have known him in these ways. Fellow political scientists have respected his leadership in the American Political Science Association, of which he was once president.

Many in government know him as a senior analyst in charge of research on Africa for the Office of Strategic Services during World War II, and for representing his nation on several commissions and at many international conferences.

Most of the world holds him in high esteem, as the deputy general secretary of the United Nations — one who has had a part in all the far-reaching operational decisions of that body; one who, because of his services to the UN, was honored with the Nobel Peace Prize.

This commentator remembers him also as the assistant director and chief collaborator, with Gunnar Myrdal, of the historic study which resulted in the 2-volume American Dilemma.

His was in every respect a major contributor, added to which were his bright, incisive mind and his knowledge of the people, things and history of America.

Without asking special favors of any kind, Ralph Bunche tackled the great universities — University of California at Los Angeles, Harvard, Northwestern, the London School of Economics.

When others were trying to forget Africa, he was studying its anthropology and colonial history, even succeeding in spending a year at the University of Capetown in South Africa.

He also studied in Europe and England, North, West and East Africa, Malaya and the Netherlands Indies.

He was not born with the proverbial silver spoon, but he and his parents put first things first, and placed high value on education and intellectual development.

The places in which he has served his country and the world are too numerous to list; so are the honors that he has received from governments and institutions of higher learning.

But he has never forgotten whence he came; he has never forgotten the burdens the masses of his people suffer; he has never failed to challenge the USA to live up to its creed.

As Ralph Bunche leaves public life, he is a shining example worthy of being followed by present and future generations of black men and women.

We believe he would say: "Have challenging goals and high expectations; work hard; ask no quarters; where you are weak, gain strength; if you lose one day come back to win tomorrow."

The world of color will lose representation in two high places this year. Not only has Ralph Bunche retired as the No. 2 man in the UN, but the general secretary, U Thant of Burma, has submitted his resignation.

This resignation means that both the black and brown worlds will be replaced in the administrative leadership of the UN.

The "changing of the guard" at the UN makes it all the more important for all concerned to carry on the fight to place black Americans in high places in their own country. It is hard to expect other nations to elevate American blacks if their own country does not use them.

It is too much to expect, but what would be wrong with naming another black to the Supreme Court to join Thurgood Marshall?

Indeed, if President Nixon would name Patricia Roberts Harris, former dean of the Howard University Law School, he could kill two birds with one stone, or try to: He could take credit for naming both a woman and a black — in the same person.

This is not to mean that the campaign to secure jobs in the lower levels of politics and government is not to be continued.

The beginning and the middle positions are also important because it is on these beginning and middle levels that men and women obtain the experience needed for moving upward.

Blacks are still under represented on the federal district court level as well as on the different levels of the states' judicial systems.

Southern state governments have named only a few judges (real tokenism) and the federal government has named none in the South. This goes for many other areas of public employment.

World War II gave Ralph Bunche his opportunity in the U.S. government. There are many more with his potentialities.

Editors Note: The preface to the American Dilemma lists Dr. Fleming as one of the "collaborators," with Myrdal and Bunche, in the study mentioned in the foregoing column. Nine footnotes refer to Dr. Fleming's contributions.

George Gunther, Brilliant Man

By MARION L. BASCOM, D.D.
Minister Douglass Memorial Church

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The Rev. George Gunther, dead last week at the age of 62, was noted as a brilliant teacher and theologian. Born and reared in Paris, he came to the U.S. as a young man. He taught religion at Bethune Cookman College and St. Augustine College before moving to Baltimore in 1958. He was well versed in the Bible and spoke eight languages. At the time of his death, he was a Bible class teacher at the Md. Baptist Center, and a longtime member of Union Baptist. Reprinted here are excerpts from the eulogy offered at his funeral by the Rev. Marion C. Bascom, a longtime associate)

In Memoriam

"The physical equipment of George Gunther is being laid to rest today but not before he had used it to excite bless and share it with every person who made available their minds and bodies to him.

"Of him, it might be said he was available.

"The tragedy is that many of us did not reciprocate. We did not make ourselves available so that he might prune our minds and goad us into the fartherest reaches of our potential.

"Like Kierkegarde, he did not deal in shallow waters. He was forever launching out where great storms and great calms are.

"This was native to him and he bared all about him to go launching with him. You see, he was our philosopher in residence, our theologian in residence. He was our prophet and seer in residence. Now he has taken residence in the larger community of life where he wanted to go.

"George Gunther came to the moment when his body could not serve him. It was to him a hindrance and so he shed that body that was crippled by cancer, and arthritis and crammed with physical darkness.

"Some will attempt to judge George Gunther but I dare you to judge him. It was the leader of our movement who said, 'Judge not.'

"The grace and love of God has created a city of which John describes and today we wave a hand of warm, respectful and loving farewell."

TV Repair Guidelines

The Baltimore Better Business Bureau has issued a basic guideline to assure satisfactory repair service on your television set: Deal with a reputable firm.

But the problem may be how to find a reputable firm. BBB advises you to keep these four suggestions in mind:

If you are new in the area, ask a friend or neighbor to recommend a company which has satisfactorily repaired his television set within the past year.

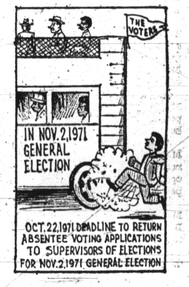
If you have been doing business with a satisfactory TV firm, stay with them.

Clarify with the TV service company its policy concerning cost of service calls. Find out if repair costs are C.O.D. or if credit is available. Ask whether there is a charge for estimates. Check on the extent of the guarantee or warranty. Find out if an itemized parts receipt will be issued.

Call the BBB for a report on the company you are considering.

The Baltimore Better Business Bureau is one of 142 similar bureaus designed to provide greater consumer protection through a better informed public.

Don't Miss The Bus



AFRO LINE

AFRO LINE is an AFRO community service to help you solve problems, whatever they may be. All you have to do is write a post-card to AFRO LINE, AFRO, 628 N. Eutaw St., P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21203. In addition to stating the question you want answered, include your name, address and phone number. Then watch for the answer to the AFRO LINE each week because that is where the Action can be found.

Price Freeze

This column of questions and answers on the Wage and Price Freeze is provided by the local office of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service. The column answers questions most frequently asked about the Wage and Price Freeze announced August 15 by President Nixon.

Q — Can prices be raised on World Series tickets?

A — No. The admission price for sporting events, such as this, occurring during the freeze period may be no higher than charges made during the applicable base period. In the case of the World Series, this will generally be the price charged last year.

Q — My employer is transferring me to a higher cost-of-living area. It has been the policy of my company to increase the pay of employees transferred to such areas. Can I receive this increase?

A — Yes. However, your employer must be able to document the existence of such a plan prior to the freeze, and must not increase the differential during the freeze.

Q — Can deposits for apartments be raised during the freeze?

A — No. This is not permitted during the freeze.

Q — I want to apply for an exemption from the freeze. How do I go about doing it?

A — Persons seeking exemptions from the price, wage or rent ceilings should submit written requests in duplicate to the Director of the Office of Emergency Preparedness Regional Office for their geographical area.

The request should state:

(a) name, address and telephone number;

(b) nature of business;

(c) manner in which the wage-price freeze is believed to be grossly inequitable;

(d) the specific relief sought, and

(e) whether the individual or anyone affiliated with him has previously been granted or applied for an exception, exemption or adjustment.

QUESTION—This past summer there was some sort of group which was taken on a tour to learn about television broadcasting. Do you know what it was about?—N. R.

ANSWER: There was a group of summer aides with the U.S. Evaluation Command at Aberdeen Proving Ground which toured the Maryland Center For Public Broadcasting. Accompanying photo shows some of them. In the group, Misses Joyce Hollis, Maria Epps, Ann Pugh, Anna Hall, Anna Bull, Jean Hamilton and Ava Henderson.

QUESTION: I deal with a certain neighborhood store which changes prices from day to day. Is this legal? Aren't merchants supposed to post prices? — MRS. M.F.

ANSWER: Yes, Irving Machiz, District Director of Internal Revenue Service for Md. and D.C. says all sellers must maintain, and have available for customer inspection their ceiling prices. Machiz said that if the customer questions the ceiling price, he can ask the seller to produce his supporting records.

If the seller is unwilling to produce the record, Machiz said the customer should provide evidence of the alleged violation to the local office of Internal Revenue Service and file a complaint. The IRS will then investigate the complaint.

The office is at 31 Hopkins Plaza, Phone is 962-3330.

QUESTION: On Market Place near the old Fish Market and the Customs House area are boarded up, city-owned buildings where cats of all colors, ages, sizes, descriptions reside in groups too numerous to count. Hundreds of them present a nuisance to citizens still in the area.

The Dog Catchers say their business is not catching cats. The SPCA says it can not go on private property. Other city agencies say, "Who in this world can catch a cat? Nobody!" What can be done? — A LADY FROM ENGLAND

ANSWER: City Customers' Service official Roger Nissley says he will call the "catty" situation to the attention of some city department. Housing and Community Development, possibly owners of the boarded-up buildings, promises to explore the "cat community." Unfortunately, there is no Feline Department and the city is indeed minus cat-catchers.

IF YOU ASK ME

By BETTYE MOSS

Call him 'Dr.' now. That's right, congratulations are in order for the AFRO's executive editor and member of this newspaper's board of directors, Moses J. Newson.

He is one of several Americans receiving honorary doctorate degrees from the University of Haiti.

Confirmation ceremonies were held Monday at Syracuse University and the formal awarding of degrees takes place this Friday at the Haitian Embassy in Washington.

New citizen department: It's a boy, their first, for Mr. and Mrs. Howard (Pete) Rawlings of N. Edgewood St.

Baby, their first son weighed 7 pounds when he arrived Oct. 8 at Sinai Hospital, has been named Wendell Peters.

Happy about the new arrival are Lisa, 6, and Stephanie, 18 months.

Proud poppa is professor of mathematics at UMBC (U. of Md., Baltimore campus), and a leader in the Black Coalition to upgrade this state university.

Mrs. Rawlings, known professionally as Dr. Nina Cole Rawlings, is pediatrician and associate director of the Sinai-Druid Comprehensive Health Center.

New young parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Lewis of Belle Ave. They welcomed their first, a boy, on Tuesday morning at Md. General.

He's been named Steven Earl. Mother is the former Betty Miller of Savannah, Ga.

Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lewis of Baltimore.

Plenty of sunshine, please, to Greater Baltimore Medical Center for Mrs. Bernice S. White.

She is the Social Security executive whose weekly column 'It's Not A Man's World' appears in the AFRO.

Mrs. White underwent major surgery on Thursday, hopes to resume her column next month.

Promoted: Call him Lt. Col. now. Major James Timothy Boddie Jr. that is. He's the jet pilot now stationed at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas.

Many know his proud mom, Mrs. Emery M. Boddie of Liberty Heights Ave. And many knew his late father, the beloved Baptist minister, the Rev. Mr. Boddie Sr.

Onions to the culprits who stole the German Shepherd owned by Ned Graham of the 3500 block of Berwyn Avenue.

The 16-week-old pup was being trained as a seeing-eye dog for Mr. Graham who is slowly losing his sight.

He had put the dog in the yard to curb and when he returned to get him, he was gone.

If you know the whereabouts of this dog, please contact Mr. Graham at 664-9422.

Solid citizen is an appropriate title to describe William K. Clarke, 65, the Pennsylvania Ave. businessman and civic worker, who was buried on Tuesday.

Long a resident of Sanford Place in Northwest Baltimore, Mr. Clarke was one of those pioneer workers in the fight for equal rights in our city.

When we were marching to sit down at lunch counters and open public places, Mr. Clarke was there with his time or money.

He gave more than lip service to his church (Payne Memorial AME), to the YMCA where he served on the youth and fund-raising committees and the Druid Hill board of managers, and to many a community endeavor designed to improve the lot of young people and the neighborhoods where we live.

He was a part of the Upton Renewal project, just getting started in the Pennsylvania Ave. area where his poolroom was located.

He did not live to see the dream come true but there are many who will remember days, long ago, when Mr. Clarke was the solid citizen who could be relied on to give of his time, his energy and his support.

Hometowner making good: Recent AFRO visitor was James A. Parker, deputy director of Central African Affairs with the State Department.

He toured our plant a week back-in company with Reynald Olivier, editor and member of Parliament in Port-Louis, Mauritius.

Cliff notes: Mr. Parker is a Feb., 1939 graduate of Douglass High, and holds a degree from American University.

He and his wife, the former Odessa Minor, have three children. James Jr., 22, attends Stanford U.

Margaret, 19, is a student at Occidental College in Los Angeles. Daughter, Cheryl, 23, a Morgan State grad, is teaching in Troy, N.Y.

Help needed: Baltimore Goodwill Industries is in urgent need for all kinds of cabinet furniture — bedroom, dining room, kitchen and juvenile — anything that can be repaired and painted or stained.

Over twenty-five handicapped workers who repair, refinish and refurbish this type of furniture are in danger of being laid off because of scarcity of materials to keep them busy.

These Goodwill workers are physically and mentally disabled men who depend upon Goodwill's employment program to keep them gainfully employed and off of the welfare roll.

Call 247-3111 for truck pickup. Hurry! Do something to help somebody else!

People being kind to others: It is a real labor of love, the annual project by Mrs. Emerson (Geneva) Wise.

It raises funds for the upkeep of the West Liberty Cemetery in Marriottsville, Howard County.

This year, she will be joined by her husband in sponsoring an Autumn Tea at their home in the 800 block of Chauncey Ave.

Mrs. Wise is the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. Matthias (Clara) Williams, he the long time pastor of St. Luke United Methodist Church in Reisterstown, Md.

This is the 10th year of fund-raising for the cemetery project, backed by the Busy Bee Club of Marriottsville, Mrs. Georgianna King, president.

MRS. MOSS

Tickled pink are the Morris Mechanic people. Reason: the theatre's box office is buzzing.

Current attraction is the Pulitzer Prize Winning Play "No Place To Be Somebody," written by the black playwright, Charles Gordone.

The production opened here Sept. 22.

Producer Ashton Springer and Jeanne Warner are so encouraged they will continue the engagement at the Mechanic.

Performances are Tuesday through Friday at 8:30 p.m., Saturday at 6 and 10 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7:30 p.m.

Lost Friend: Baltimore Council for International Visitors reports the death of longtime volunteer, Mrs. Lee Eiseman, (Billy).

Since 1963, Billy had acted as BCIV office coordinator, having previously served as assistant treasurer. Recently, as Secretary of the Board, she was also responsible for editing the NEWSLETTER.

For many years, Mrs. Eiseman had the overall responsibility for the business trainee program and the Christmas week hospitality for AID participants.

New job open: Dr. C. Richard Fravel has been named to head a committee to seek a new Executive Director for the Health and Welfare Council, Harold C. Edelston has resigned to take a new position with the United Way of America, Inc.

Other members of the committee are Herbert B. Cahan, Mrs. Edna O. Campbell, Douglass G. Williams, and Milton Young.

Qualifications are at least 10 years of experience in a social planning organization, with substantial administration and supervision included within that experience. A minimum of a Master's degree in social work, public health, or related social science discipline is also required.

Interested candidates should mail their written resumés to Dr. Fravel at the Health and Welfare Council, at 200 E. Lexington St.

Looking for something to do? Put this free event on your calendar.

The Baltimore Museum of Art's "Tour of the White House with Mrs. John F. Kennedy" will be shown Sunday, October 31st at 2 p.m.

Pleasant AFRO visitor a week back was Dale G. Lee, Urban Affairs Representative with American Oil Co. His area covers the 13 northeastern states.

He and his family have lived here in Baltimore two years, formerly resided in Philly.

Family includes his wife, the former Marie Robinson of San Antonio (she's a nurse), and their youngsters, Doug, 4, and Dale, 3, who goes to Northwood Elementary.

In the Spotlight

In the Spotlight this week is William R. Johnson.

William R. Johnson of Twin Rivers, New Jersey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roosevelt Johnson, machinist at Goetze's Meats, Baltimore, is in the Spotlight because of his most recent honor, a place in the 1971 edition of "Outstanding Young Men Of America."

The awards publication features 5,000 young men of exception achievement throughout the nation and nominations are made by Jaycee chapters, college alumni associations and military commandants.

Mr. Johnson, 29, is a member of the East Windsor Regional School Board.

Born and educated in Baltimore, he received a B.S. degree from Morgan State College. He did graduate work at the University of Baltimore School of Law.

He is now employed by E. R. Scribb and Son as a product manager of prescription drugs.

Mr. Johnson is married to the former Miss Nona Green of Glen Burnie.

Their only daughter is Keli Johnson, age 4.

His five sisters are Mrs. Clara Brown, a sophomore at Federal City College, Washington; Mrs. Esther Shelton, a Morgan graduate now in graduate school at Coppin State College.

Also, Miss Katha Johnson, a nursing student at Community College of Baltimore and Misses Hazel and Burnett Johnson, freshmen at Morgan State.